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For:

DATABASE SYSTEM, SERVER, QUERY POSING METHOD, AND **DATA UPDATING METHOD**

Enclosed are:

- ≥ 20 sheets of □ formal □ informal drawings.
- ☑ Transmittal of Japanese application 2003-071908 to claim priority date of March 17, 2003.
- ⋈ An Executed Declaration.
- ☑ An Information Disclosure Statement
- □ An assignment executed by inventors to Hitachi, Ltd.

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